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- 1. DURING MAY 14 PUBLIC LECTURE ON WORLD AFFAIRS, ZNANIYE SOCIETY LECTURER, YU. F. POLYAKOV, SAID THAT "MARXIST-LENINIST" PARTY HAD COME TO POWER IN AFGHANISTAN AND WAS TRYING TO DEVELOP THE COUNTRY ON THE BASIS OF "MARXIST-LENINIST" PRINCIPLES.
- 2. COMMENT: SOVIETS, INCLUDING ZNANIYE SOCIETY LECTURERS, ARE USUALLY CHARY OF ATTACHING IDEOLOGICAL IMPRIMATUR "MARXIST-LENINIST" TO THIRD WORLD PARTIES. SINCE POLYAKOV'S COMMENTS WERE PART OF HIS PREPARED REMARKS, WE ASSUME HE MEANT WHAT HE SAID. STILL, CONFIDENTIAL

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